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TO: All Agency Training Officers

INTERDEPARTMENTAL COUNTRY TEAM SEMINAR

The eighth session of the Interdepartmental Country Team Seminar: Problems of Development and Internal Defense will be held from 3 to 27 September at the Foreign Service Institute.

The DDCI has expressed his desire that the Agency continue to fill its quota of eight students for each running of this course. Up to the present the Clandestine Services have supplied all of the students. Starting with the eighth session the DDCI has approved other components furnishing a share of the students. The DDI, DDS, and DDR should each nominate at least one candidate for each running of the Seminar. The DDP will continue to furnish 50% of the quota.

In selecting candidates for this course, Training Officers should bear in mind the particular qualifications required. It is desirable that anyone attending the course have some practical or foreseeable use for knowledge of counterinsurgency or have experience of his own which will contribute to the course; he must be able to perform in the Country Team exercises as a CIA Chief of Station. Students in the course are generally at the ambassadorial or senior military levels; CIA has permission to propose qualified candidates from grade GS-14 and higher.

The four-week Seminar is designed for senior government officials who are concerned, in Washington or in the field, with the countries designated "critical" by the Special Group(CI) and with

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other areas of the world where there is active or incipient insurgency. Besides CIA, the Department of State, the Department of Defense, USIA, and AID are participating in the program. The subject-matter includes a study of the environment of developing nations, an examination of U.S. Government resources and activities in countering insurgency from the policy level through the operational level, and student seminar discussion of case studies dealing with subversive insurgency throughout the world.

Nominations for the 3-27 September Seminar should be sent on Form 136 (Request for Training at Non-CIA Facilities) through normal channels and CCS to the OTR Registrar before noon 14 August. An obligatory prebriefing of candidate students will be held at 1400 hours on 28 August in Room 1D-0415.

The final Seminar for calendar year 1963 will take place from 12 November to 6 December